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International Radio and Television Organization OIRT)
Organisation Internationale de Radiodiffusion et Television

1. Headquarters

Address

Liebknechtova 15, Prague XVI, Czechoslovakia.

Officers

President

Petro Kito (Albania) 1960.

Vice Presidents

Yu Fong Pyo (North Korea) April 1959.

Laszlo Cacs (Hungary) April 1959.

Secretary General

Jaromir Hrebik (Czechoslovakia) (1960.

Publications

Information Bulletin, published by the Editorial

Board of OIRTY

Radio and Television, editor, A. Suchy

II. National Affiliates

(Note: Representation appears to be by governments through their designated officials rather than by organized national affiliates.)

Albania

Albanian Broadcasting Service Director: Petro Kito

Bulgaria

Bulgarian Broadcasting Service

of the Ministry of Culture, Mishio Nikolov

Byelorussia

Byelorussian Broadcasting Organization Chairman: V. Perkovsky

China (Communist)

Radio and Television Committee of the Chinese People's Republic, Chairman: MEI I

Czechoslovakia

Czechoslovakia Radio and Television Committee Chairman: F. Necasek

Estonia SSR

Estonian Radio
Director: L. Kaik

Finland

Finnish Broadcasting Company
Director General: Einar Sundstrom

Germany (East)

German Democratic Broadcasting Service Deputy Chairman: Wolfgang Kleinert

Hungary

Hungarian Radio Committee Chairman: Laszlo Cacs

Iraq

Iraqi Radio and Television Organization Director: Dr. D. Ayub

Korea (North)

Central Radio Committee of the Korean People's Democratic Republic Vice Chairman: Yu Yong Pyo

Latvian SSR

Latvian Radio
Chairman: J. Lemanis

Lithuania SSR

Lithuanian Broadcasting Service Director: I. Januitis

Moldavia SSR

Moldavian Radio
Director: V. Ylyanov

Mongolia

State Radio Committee of the Mongolian People's Republic Chairman: L. Puribe

Poland

Polish Broadcasting Service Chairman: Wlodzimierz Sokorski

Rumania

Rumanian Broadcasting Service Head: N. Skatchko

USSR

State Radio and Television Committee Chairman: S. Kaftanov

Vietnam (North)

Broadcasting Organization of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam

III. Biographias

Mei I (chain)

Mei I was born in 1915 at Swatow in Kwangtung province. His status as a publicist is roughly equal to that of Teng To Www. Chung-hua. Like these men Mei I first established his reputation as a newspaperman.

As director of the Broadcasting Affairs Bureau of Peiping's State ALL CHINA JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATIONS Council and a vice president of the China Journalistic Workers Association, 1861 1 sanks high among those leaders charged with the condent Mei I ranks among the leading executors of Chinese Communist propaganda policy. In addition/has served one term as president of the International Radio and Television Organization (1953).

Mei I joined the Chinese Communist Party sometime prior to 1937 when he was engaged in newspaper work in Shanghai. After the Sino-Japanese war broke out he took part in activities of the League of Leftist Writers in Shanghai and Hong Kong. Before 1949 Mei I served as a member of the administrative board and deputy chief editor of the New China News Agency. When the People's Republic of China was organized, he was appointed deputy Broadcast Bureau of the News Administration. When the n 1952/Mei I became director of the Bureau of Broadcasting Enterprises. When the Peiping regime was reorganized in 1954, he was appointed to his present position as director of the Broadcasting Affairs Bureau.

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In 1954 Mei I became a member of the board of directors of the

Chinese People's Association for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries

as well as a deputy in the First National People's Congress. In 1956 he

was chosen as a member of the Central Work Committee for the

Popularization of Standard and Spoken Chinese. From 1949 to 1952 Mei I

served as alternate member of the First National Committee of the All

China Federation of Democratic Youth, and since 1949 he has been a member of the Chinese People's Consultative Conference.

Mei's travel abroad has included a trip to Budapest in 1952 and a trip to Prague in 1953 to attend meetings of the International Radio and Television Organization.

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Sergey Vasil yevich Kaftanov

S. V. Kaftanov was born in 1907 presumably in the Dowets Basin.

He is said to have completed a factory training course and to be a graduate of the Chemical Technological Institute in Moscow. He is also alleged to have studied Party propaganda and pedagogical work.

Kaftanov is the Chairman of the State Radio and Television Committee
attached to the Central Council of Ministers of the USSR. He began his
political career when he was named in 1937 as chairman of the Committee
on Affairs of Higher Education attached to the Council of People's Commissars.
At the 18th All Union Party Congress held in March 1939 Kaftanov was elected
to candidate membership on the Party Central Committee.

In addition to his regular duties Kaftanov served as a member and

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sometimes as deputy chairman of the Committee on Station Prizes in the

field of science and invention from 1942-1949. Although not a member of the

USSR Academy of Sciences, he served in 1944 as a member of the Academy's

Commission on Medical Education.

Kaftanov was appointed Minister of Higher Education in 1946. As such he was chairman of the Presidium of the Ministry's Council on Scientific Methods. He was a member of the All Union Society for the dissemination of Political and Scientific knowledge in May 1947.

Raftanov failed to appear among the other members of the Stalin

Prize Committee in 1950 nor did he register as a candidate for reelection to

the Supreme Soviet in that year. In February 1951 he was transferred to

other work and was not subsequently identified until June 1953 when he

appeared First Deputy Minister of Culture.

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